

## Dress Right, Dress

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The use of tobacco products is permitted only in designated tobacco use areas. (Courtesy of the Spangdahlem AB First Sergeants Council)



## News Briefs

### OB/GYN move

The 52nd Medical Group obstetrics and gynecology clinic will improve the delivery of women's healthcare through a series of customer service initiatives. Changes will include increased examination room space, closer parking spaces for pregnant patients and a new home for the OB/GYN clinic within the main hospital. The OB/GYN clinic is an open-access clinic for all obstetric services and a referral clinic for all gynecology needs. The new clinic is scheduled to open Tuesday. Call Maj. Kathryn Tate at 452-3161 for details.

### New traffic laws

The German government will enforce new traffic laws in coming months. These laws include:

- ♦ Winter or all-season tires are required when driving on snow and ice; driving without will be a 20 euro fine, while driving without and hindering another motorist will be a 40 euro fine.
- ♦ Tailgating or flashing headlights will incur a 250 euro fine and a three-month suspension of driver's license. For more information, call the 52nd Fighter Wing safety office at 452-7233.

### Blood drive

A blood drive takes place at Spangdahlem AB Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Peter's, building 42. Eligible donors can help cancer patients, accident victims, premature babies, surgery patients and burn patients. The majority of blood donated will be sent downrange to support Operation Iraqi Freedom. To sign up to donate or volunteer, visit <http://intranet/misc/signup/blooddrive/>. Call Master Sgt. Margaret Santamaria at 452-4263 or Senior Airman Lori Taylor at 452-4263 for details.

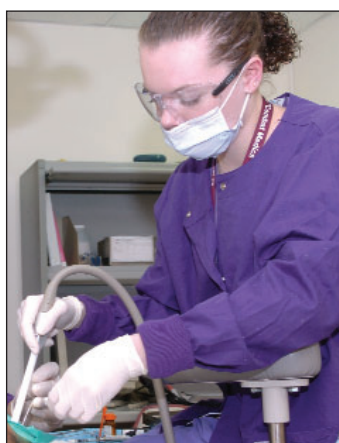
### BRC news

- ♦ The Spangdahlem AB Base Recycling Center has relocated to building 64. As a reminder, the Spangdahlem AB BRC hours of operation are as follows: Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon.
- ♦ As of March 1, Bitburg-Pruem County will collect all recycled glass according to three categories: clear, green or other and brown. New glass containers are located at the following locations: **Spangdahlem AB:** the Base Recycling Center, building 64; lodging's dumpster enclosure across from the gas station, building 38; the Brick House dumpster enclosure, building 124; dormitories 225 and 226; the dormitory dumpster enclosure at building 227; the bowling alley, building 300; Club Eifel, building 500; and the area across from buildings 409 and 423, Spangdahlem AB MFH. **Bitburg Annex:** The base recycling center, building 2038; and buildings 1, 27, 41, and 61 at the hospital parking lot. **Speicher GLH:** Near the tennis court by building 214. People must follow the new guidelines and dispose of glass in the proper containers. For more information, call the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron service contracts section at 452-6183 or email [52ces.ceomq@spangdahlem.af.mil](mailto:52ces.ceomq@spangdahlem.af.mil).

## Mouth guards

The American Red Cross dental training program helps volunteers excel.

Read "52nd DS gets helping hand from Red Cross volunteers," on Page 4



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Airman 1st Class Eydie Sakura

### Fasching machines

Tech. Sgt. Jason Theriault, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron fire station chief, joins local nationals in downtown Bitburg at the Rathaus Feb. 3 for the kick off of "Ladies Fasching" at 11:11 a.m. The time is picked arbitrarily as part of the nonsensical fun associated with the annual German carnival season. Read more about Fasching parades in "Fasching mania: Germany's silly season comes and goes in the Eifel; Sabers experience 'Fat Thursday' first-hand" on page 7.

## New wing vice commander joins Sabers

### Colonel shares thoughts on expanding wing mission, community involvement

Story and photo by Senior Airman Amaani Lyle  
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

A senior leader previously assigned to the Pentagon joined the 52nd Fighter Wing last week.

Col. Scott D. West, 52nd FW vice commander recently shared his vision of the wing's short- and long-term evolution, as well as plans and programs to strengthen community relations.

The colonel, who hails from North Carolina, described how his former position as chief of forces division, J-8, the Joint Staff in Washington, dovetails into his duties here.

"At the Pentagon, we looked at how the Department of Defense's global posture would be changed to wage the war on terrorism -- that affects how our forces are arrayed here in Europe," said the colonel. "It ties in well to the Rhein-Main Transition Program and the consolidation of capability within U.S. Air Forces in Europe and the other Air Force commands around the globe," he said.

A five-year, \$540 million consolidation endeavor, the Rhein-Main Transition Program is scheduled to finish by its Dec. 31, 2005, deadline and in recent years has been a high-visibility project to local and global audiences.

"We will continue to engage in our fighter mission and evolve to provide excellent support across the wing structure to an airlift mission," Colonel West said in regard to the wing's absorption of part of the mission of Rhein-Main Air Base, Germany. "That's going to be a growing process and is a challenge that the 52nd FW will have to address."

In terms of wing member and host-nation interaction, Colonel West's wife, Jane, said she echoes her husband's enthusiasm for fostering solid community relations. She added her marketing and communications background adds to the appeal of such participation.

"This is my first time in Europe as an adult, and my experience so far has been really great," Mrs. West said. "I look forward to getting involved with the community and helping out in any way we can."



Col. Scott D. West, 52nd Fighter Wing vice commander, and his wife, Jane, look over a map of Spangdahlem Air Base Feb. 3. Colonel West is an F-16 pilot who holds a master's degree in civil engineering. His previous assignments include Osan AB, Republic of Korea, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea, and Moody Air Force Base, Georgia.

Colonel West affirmed he will support the efforts of Col. Dave Goldfein, 52nd FW commander.

"Colonel Goldfein is working to develop an 'Adopt-an-Airman' program here with German families in the local communities," Colonel West said.

He explained the initiative would aim to match local national families with Airmen who seek to get more immersed in German culture.

"Even if we create only a few life-long connections between these Airmen and the local families who are willing to host them, we would call that a success," the vice commander said.

The colonel emphasized that within the Airman community, the balance between mission and people is paramount.

"We want to strike the right balance between being constantly ready to execute the mission versus the need to provide those who have been downrange with the opportunity to spend time with their family," Colonel West said.



# CC tours base to survey large-scale projects

Story and photo by Senior Airman Amaani Lyle  
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

In an effort to ascertain areas in need of improvement, repair or expansion, Col. Dave Goldfein, 52nd Fighter Wing commander, toured the base with the wing vice commander and several civil engineer experts here Thursday.

Among the inspected buildings were the Spangdahlem Air Base fitness center, the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron Resources, Readiness and Environmental building and the Spangdahlem AB housing maintenance office.

Colonel Goldfein, Col. Scott West, 52nd FW vice commander, Lt. Col. Mitch Gordon, 52nd CES commander, and Udo Stuermer, 52nd CES engineering flight chief, were part of the inspecting group who visited problem areas and brainstormed about ways to improve appearance and functionality of the buildings.

Colonel Goldfein, with his 52nd CES inspection team in tow, observed the jacuzzis in the Spangdahlem Air Base fitness center locker room areas before venturing to the center's basement, where he found corroded pipes and faulty aeration valves -- the apparent cause of the jacuzzis' malfunctions. The wing commander listened attentively to the staff members' assess-

ment of the problems before stating that he would like to develop a long-term plan to make the necessary repairs or replace the jacuzzis with other equipment.

"The fitness center staff constantly goes above and beyond to make sure we have excellent facilities for our folks," Colonel Goldfein said. "We'll do our part to make sure we also uphold their standards and keep everything working properly."

Next on the list was the 52nd CES Resources, Readiness and Environmental building, where Colonel Goldfein was met by Cathy Harris, 52nd CES chief of resources and Capt. Mike Zuhlsdorf, 52nd CES deputy engineering flight commander.

Colonel Goldfein and Captain Zuhlsdorf discussed the feasibility of transforming the building into the Joint Fires Center of Excellence, a U.S. Air Forces in Europe initiative to establish the premier European multinational air-to-ground training school.

The commander explained that the long-term plan would be to link the JFCE with other control centers, here and off base.

"This important joint initiative will become the schoolhouse for developing tactics and pro-

cedures for providing fire support for our troops on the ground," Colonel Goldfein said.

Other visits included the hazardous material plant and housing maintenance office, where Colonels Goldfein and West reviewed plans for military family housing expansion.

While at hazmat, the wing commander lauded the efforts of Tech. Sgt. James Little, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron NCOIC and his staff for their meticulous tracking, reporting and minimalization of environmentally hazardous chemicals released into the surrounding communities.

"Handling and storage of hazardous materials comes down to attention to detail, and no one does it better than our environmental flight," the colonel said.

The commander then visited the area under most dramatic reconstruction -- the acres of land in development under the half-billion dollar Rhein-Main Transition Program, scheduled for completion at the end of the year.

"I'm pleased with the progress of this significant endeavor," Colonel Goldfein said of the pending absorption of Rhein-Main Air Base.

"On time and under budget has become a standard for our world class RMTP team."



Col. Dave Goldfein, 52nd Fighter Wing commander, looks on as Peter Thiel, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron Water and Waste technician, points out pipe corrosion at Spangdahlem Air Base fitness center Feb. 3.

## Civil service automates external hiring processes

### New system streamlines listings, application steps for job seekers

By Joan Siler  
52nd Mission Support Squadron

The local civilian personnel office will soon change its external hiring process as part of the U.S. Air Forces in Europe transition to centralized personnel servicing through the Air Force Personnel Center.

The current manual process will become automated. These changes simplify the application process for customers and expedite the hiring process for managers. On or about March 6, all civil service job vacancies for Spangdahlem Air Base will be announced on the AFPC Web site, and applicants must self-nominate and apply to receive consideration.

The process involves three steps: pre-position an Air Force-formatted résumé, review announcements and self-nominate for positions. Applicants for AF employment are encouraged to read the Air Force Job Kit available at the AFPC Web site.

#### What does this change mean?

In the past, non-AF employees with military spouse preference and family members were required to hand-carry an application or résumé to the local civilian personnel flight for job consideration. Now all external candidates will submit an AF-formatted résumé electronically and self-nominate in

order to be considered for job vacancies.

#### How do applicants prepare Air Force formatted resumes?

Applicants are encouraged to utilize the AF Resume Writer program. Information is available at <https://ww2.afpc.randolph.af.mil/resweb/resume/resume.htm>. Applicants should identify all categories for which they are eligible such as Military Spouse, Family Member, Veteran. Résumés are active for one year and may be extended. Résumés must be on-line five days prior to the closing of an announcement to properly process.

#### How can applicants get job leads?

Applicants can learn of available jobs by searching the Web site at [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/afjobs](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/afjobs) or via e-mail using the AF Civilian Announcement Notification System, an e-mail subscription service. Information on CANS is available at <https://www2.afpc.randolph.af.mil/resweb/cans.htm>. Applicants can search by grade, pay, occupational series, and location. CANS will automatically send an e-mail notification when a vacancy announcement matching the applicant's criteria has been posted. "Job seekers" who subscribe to CANS need not continually check for Air Force announcements.

Applicants can also use the Interactive Voice Response System. Employees who call from outside the United States

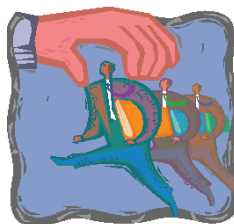
will first dial a toll-free direct access number for the country in which they are located, then 800-997-2378. Direct access numbers can be found on the Internet at [www.att.com/business\\_traveler/guides\\_and\\_access/dialing\\_instr.html#outside](http://www.att.com/business_traveler/guides_and_access/dialing_instr.html#outside). IVRS is available 22 hours a day from 1 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Central Standard Time. Recruitment service center representatives are available Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CST, excluding federal holidays.

Applicants can self-nominate in response to announcements by clicking the self-nomination button directly on the announcement or by jotting down the announcement number for use when self-nominating via the IVRS system.

Applicants may check the status of their self-nomination by clicking the "Self-Nomination Status" button and following the prompts.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to prepare and submit a resume to the AFPC Web page prior to March 6 to minimize delays in self-nominating for future vacancies. As of today, the local civilian personnel office will no longer accept résumés or applications in person or by e-mail, facsimile or normal mail systems. All current external applications on file with the local civilian personnel flight will be deactivated as of Feb. 19. For more information about the new business process, call the 52nd Mission Support Squadron Civilian Personnel Office at 452-6080 or 06565-61-6080.



## Military members must heed war trophy mailing restrictions

By Roger Kolkona  
2nd Air Postal Squadron

**RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany --** Throughout history, soldiers have come home with souvenirs from battle. Many of these war-related items end up on display in museums and showcases.

Although it is tempting to bring back reminders of service in a military campaign, with few exceptions, taking or retaining individual souvenirs or trophies is prohibited.

"It is against the law to take certain souvenirs from a war zone," said 1st Lt. Andrew Ignash, 2nd Air Postal Squadron postal opera-

tions flight commander. "There are Department of Defense restrictions as well."

It is important for military personnel to understand there are strict guidelines regarding the transportation of war trophies.

"You can go to jail for mailing an illegal object," said Lieutenant Ignash.

Shipping weapons as personal property is an offense punishable under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, he said. War trophies, defined as enemy weapons, ammunition, explosives or items of equipment, are non-mailable. This includes live or spent rounds, pistols, machine guns, weapons

magazines and anti-personnel mines.

Most munitions and military articles of equipment may not be mailed; however, war trophies that obviously pose no safety risk, such as enemy uniform items and flags, may be mailed, said Lieutenant Ignash.

"If you're unsure whether an item can be legally imported, don't try to mail it," said Tech. Sgt. Craig Thomas, 2nd AIRPS command postal manager. "Ask your postmaster to clarify the rules, follow the regulations as written and there should be no problem."

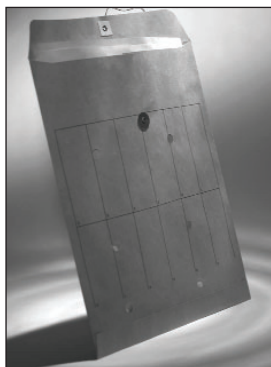
Almost all parcels move as cargo on commercial airliners, said Sergeant Thomas. Mailing war trophies can cause mail delays, bomb evacuations and confiscation of parcels, which occur when mail containing a war trophy is X-rayed by government agen-

cies and airline carriers.

"If an X-ray could show that it may be dangerous to the passengers of a plane, it shouldn't be mailed," said Steve Waller, 2nd AIRPS command official mail manager. "Foreign countries could stop military mail flow through their country altogether if they believe that military parcels threaten their aircraft."

"Mailing weapons, even non-functional replicas, is an unsafe and illegal practice," he continued. "For example, shell casing or bullet belt buckles, hand grenade paperweights, pistols mounted on plaques and so on could cause an international incident, delay the mail and could even put the mailer in a foreign jail."

Airmen with questions about what can be mailed should contact their post office, customs office or legal office.







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## Top Saber Performer

**Name:** Capt. Paul Willingham  
**Unit:** 23rd Fighter Squadron  
**Duty title:** 23rd FS chief of scheduling  
**Hometown:** Weatherford, TX  
**Years in service:** Eight  
**Nominee's contributions to 52nd Fighter Wing mission success:** Captain Willingham's main contribution is his coordination with maintenance and other base agencies to ensure the yearly flying hour program is completed to the last sortie and tenth of an hour while getting the best training possible for 23rd FS pilots.

**Off-duty volunteerism and professional development pursuits:** Captain

Willingham volunteered at the fall bazaar and the base post office during the holiday rush.

**What do you do for fun?** I am training for the Paris Marathon in April. The training is not the fun part, but eating and drinking with the boys after the run is.

**What do you like most about being stationed here?** I like the opportunities to travel with my family.

**What's one thing you'd like to see changed or improved at Spangdahlem Air Base?** I would like to see more flexibility from some base agencies.

## Base officials recognize wing-level quarterly, group annual award winners

### Staff reports

The 52nd Fighter Wing salutes the following individuals for their outstanding achievements in the fourth quarter of 2004 as well as winners at group level for their year-long achievements in 2004.

#### *Fourth quarter wing quarterly award winners:*

Airman: **Senior Airman Amber Muniz**, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron; NCO: **Staff Sgt. Barbara Schleppenbach**, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron; SNCO: **Master Sgt. Thomas Bathe**, 52nd CES; CGO: **Capt. Lisa Mabbutt**, 52nd CES; junior-level civilian: **Frank Weis**, 52nd CES; mid-level civilian: **Inge Lersche**, 52nd CES; senior-level civilian: **Charles Cyr**, 52nd CES

#### *Annual group award winners*

##### **52nd Fighter Wing staff agencies**

Airman: **Airman 1st Class Kaycie Ashley**, 52nd Fighter Wing Command Post; NCO: **Tech. Sgt. Scott Etler**, 52nd FW/CP; SNCO: **Master Sgt. Michelle Lackey**, 52nd Comptroller Squadron; CGO: **Capt. Ted Wahoske**, 52nd CPTS; junior-level civilian: **Angela Dodge**, 52nd CPTS; senior-level civilian: **Derek Johnston**, 52nd CPTS

##### **52nd Mission Support Group**

Airman: **Senior Airman Olivia Watkins**, 52nd CES; NCO: **Tech. Sgt. Jason Theriault**, 52nd CES; SNCO: **Master Sgt. Robert Hughes**, 52nd LRS; CGO: **Capt. Lisa Mabbutt**, 52nd CES; junior-level civilian: **Ingo Wahlert**, 52nd CES; mid-level civilian: **Inge Lersche**, 52nd CES; senior-level civilian: **Debra Willey**, 52nd Services Squadron; first sergeant: **Senior Master Sgt. Russell Hastings**, 52nd CES

##### **52nd Operations Group**

Airman: **Staff Sgt. Jason Weiss**, 81st

Fighter Squadron; NCO: **Staff Sgt. Aaron Goetsch**, 52nd Operations Support Squadron; SNCO: **Master Sgt. David Maniccia**, 52nd OSS; CGO: **1st Lt. Rahsul Freeman**, 606th Air Control Squadron; mid-level civilian: **Sue Panfil**, 52nd OG; senior-level civilian: **Lou Ryan**, 52nd OSS

##### **52nd Maintenance Group**

Airman: **Senior Airman Tyler Berensen**, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron; NCO: **Staff Sgt. Carrie Hoppe**, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; SNCO: **Master Sgt. John M. Buskey III**, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron; CGO: **Capt. Stephen O'Brian**, 52nd AMXS; mid-level civilian: **David L. Smith II**, 52nd EMS

##### **52nd Medical Group**

Airman: **Airman 1st Class James Martineau**, 52nd Dental Squadron; NCO: **Tech. Sgt. Paula Ballance**, 52nd Medical Support Squadron; SNCO: **Senior Master Sgt. Kent McCormack**, 52nd DS; CGO: **Capt. Keith Waid**, 52nd MDG; health care provider: **Capt. Joel Shulkin**, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron; junior-level civilian: **Topeka Rogers**, 52nd MDOS; mid-level civilian: **Mandy Baerman**, 52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron

##### **38th Munitions Maintenance Group**

Airman: **Senior Airman Jason Spade**, 701st Munitions Support Squadron, Kleine Brogel, Belgium; NCO: **Tech. Sgt. Christopher Greek**, 702nd MUNSS, Buechel, Germany; SNCO: **Senior Master Sgt. Bryan McGarr**, 702nd MUNSS; CGO: **Capt. Marcus Corbett**, 702nd MUNSS; first sergeant: **Senior Master Sgt. John Pritchett**, 701st MUNSS



## Eifel Salutes

### 52nd Mission Support Group

Thou art ... deserving of a salute! **Tech. Sgt. Michael Mack** did wonders with the African-American history month graphic for the multicultural committee and the 52nd Military Equal Opportunity Office.

### 52nd Operations Group

Leader of the pack is **Capt. Jimmy Jones**, who just returned from a month-long tactical leadership program, which consisted of outstanding air-to-air and air-to-ground training with other NATO assets.

### 52nd Maintenance Group

**Airman 1st Class Rebecca Lund** helped maintain the 52nd Fighter Wing's overwhelming firepower by braiding nine F-16 gun fire leads for the 23rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons flight. She turned an eight-hour job into one hour, reducing the overall weapons fix rate by more than 50 percent. This troop got us out of our seat ... **Tech. Sgt. Michael Kliss** guaranteed impeccable F-16 and A-10 pilot ejection systems during inspections and verified 20 explosive time changes on the egress system. About Schmitz ... **Alois Schmitz**, the wing's only civilian aircraft fuels system craftsman, keeps our A-10 and F-16 fuel systems operational and was recently recognized for giving 30 years of service to the U.S. government.

### 52nd Medical Group

We couldn't be wilder about **Laura Cobb**, who twice worked additional hours for emergency patients who came in after hours. **Tech. Sgt. Evelyn Serafica** and Staff



**Sgts. Vanessa Evans and Jason Gonzalez** made sure everything worked out for this week's readiness exercise. We can see clearly that **Staff Sgt. Hermann Schieder** deserves a salute for his efforts in handling an abundance of patients in the optometry clinic during a manning shortage. Lock, stock and barrell **Master Sgt. David Wedyke**, Staff

**Sgts. Samantha Dunn, Jennifer Flyte, Peter Fredsholm** and the rest of the medical materiel staff completed the annual inventory in just three days with 98 percent accuracy. We bet **Sabine Betendorf, Kimberly Erwin** and **Amanda Krishner** earned a salute for having a "can do," rather than "why me" attitude.

### Eifel community

A group of Spangdahlem Middle School 8th grade students recently participated in a job shadow program in which they traveled to various squadrons around base to gain exposure to different career fields. Members from several squadrons volunteered their time for the students: the **52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron**, the **52nd Civil Engineer Squadron Fire Department**, the **52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron**, the **52nd Mission Support Squadron Military Personnel Flight**, the **52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron**, the **606th Air Control Squadron**, the **52nd Comptroller Squadron** and the **52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron Public Health Flight**.

*Kudos to all; Team Eifel salutes you!*

(Compiled by Senior Airman Amaani Lyle, 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office)



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## Top Saber Team

**Unit name:** 23rd Fighter Squadron Scheduling shop

**A brief description of unit responsibilities:** The scheduling shop builds the daily and weekly flying schedule averaging more than 100 sorties a week. This includes getting airspace from the German Airspace Office and working deconfliction issues so the wing can use it. The team also tracks and schedules sorties for more than 30 pilots ensuring they meet their required amount. Non-flying events are scheduled through this shop, as well as meetings, appointments and ground training.

**Number of members:** Five: Capts. Matthew Garrison, Paul Willingham, Matthew Reynolds and Jeremiah Reed. Not shown is 1st Lt. Sean Penrod. The weekly schedulers own the schedule during their one week a month and don't perform any other duties during that week.

**How does the team fit into the 52nd Fighter Wing's mission?** The team gets the best training available for wing pilots fighting the many dissimilar NATO assets. These Sabers also get the best airspace and ranges Germany has to offer. The scheduling shop keeps every pilot ready to go to war, ensuring all air and ground training requirements are met.



## Wing recognizes newest ALS grads

### Staff reports

Senior Airman Mark Lebedzinski, 606th Air Control Squadron, received top honors from Airman Leadership School Class 05-3. During the Feb. 9 graduation ceremony, Airman Lebedzinski received the John L. Levitow award and the Leadership Award. Senior Airman Edward Davis, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron, received the Academic Achievement award. Distinguished graduates were: Airmen Lebedzinski and Davis; and Senior Airmen Jeremy Fox, 606th ACS; Joel Johnson, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron; Nicholas Morrison, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron; and John Bradshaw, 52nd Operations Support Squadron.

The other graduates were:

### Eagle Flight

Senior Airmen Gianti Backey, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron; Darrin Bang, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; Jeremy Bowman, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron; William Garrett, 52nd LRS; Russell Graves, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron; Mark Lebedzinski, 606th Air Control Squadron; Shawna Losh, 52nd AMXS; Herodina Lu, 52nd Dental Squadron; Jonathan Nissen, 703rd Munitions Support Squadron; John Petcoff, 52nd Security Forces Squadron; Brian Price, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron; Ryan Reynolds, 52nd CMS; Nathan Vander-Zanden, 52nd EMS; Jacob Vasquez, 52nd EMS; and David Yates, 52nd AMXS.

### Falcon Flight

Senior Airmen Michael Angermeier, 52nd EMS; Irene Atkins, 52nd SFS; Seth Coomer, 703rd MUNNS; Jayson Erickson, 52nd EMS; Jeremy Fox, 606th ACS; Jose Gonzalez Figueroa, 52nd AMXS; Nelson Ortiz, 52nd CES; Kenneth Pease, 52nd LRS; Matthew Romaine, 52nd LRS; Matthew Scannell, 52nd CES; James Serfling, 52nd AMXS; Andrew Sewer, 52nd CMS; Glenn Sison, 52nd EMS; and Roslin Smith, 52nd Maintenance Operation Squadron.

### Warthog Flight

Senior Airmen Donald Blackmon Jr., 703rd MUNNS; Leslie Cook, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron; Jermaine Cooks, 52nd AMXS; Edward Davis, 52nd EMS; Frederico Flores, 52nd Communications Squadron; Kara Griffith, 52nd CMS; Joel Johnson, 52nd Medical Support Squadron; Kimberly Kennedy, 52nd LRS; Lena King, 52nd EMS; James Merrill, 52nd AMXS; Nicholas Morrison, 52nd CMS; Michael Powell, 52nd AMXS; Stephen Price, 52nd LRS; Michael Schroeder, 52nd EMS; and Walter Shutler, 52nd CES.

### Magic Flight

Senior Airmen Rebecca Blanchard, 52nd Services Squadron; John Bradshaw, 52nd OperationS Support Squadron; Guven Ferrin, 52nd AMXS; Matthew Gadbois, 52nd CS; Abel Gay III, 52nd AMXS; Joshua Hampton, 52nd EMS; David McQuistan, 52nd CES; Raimundo Ortiz, 606th ACS; Harold Patterson Jr., 52nd SFS; Harry Pauly Jr., 52nd CMS; Brian Roberts, 52nd EMS; Orlin Rohde IV, 52nd CES; Melissa Santos, 52nd LRS; Aryn Sexton, 52nd EMS; and Tony Soto, 52nd EMS.

(Compiled by Staff Sgt. Jeremy Louk, ALS)

Tooth be told ...

# 52nd DS gets helping hand from Red Cross volunteers

By Airman 1st Class Eydie Sakura  
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

The American Red Cross dental assistant training program kicked off here in January and goes until May, teaching volunteers the basic dental skills needed for assisting dentists.

The course offers students general dental knowledge with two weeks of classroom instruction, followed by several months of chair-side assisting a dentist.

"Students can expect to assist with several different procedures including fillings, root canals and extractions," said Maj. Dennis Holt, a 52nd Dental Squadron dental officer.

"We ask that students be CPR certified prior to entering the program and have good people skills. There is a lot of interaction with patients, and a genuine caring attitude is very helpful since most people don't like going to the dentist," he said.

A good bedside manner is a key component to working in the dental field. The environment can be hectic at times, and a typical work day is seven to eight hours -- a full work day for anyone, let alone an unpaid volunteer.

"I heard about this program from a friend and felt it would be a great opportunity for me to learn new skills and knowledge in many different areas," said Elissa Black, American Red Cross volunteer and wife of Airman 1st Class Robert Black, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron



Senior Airman Amaani Lyle

Lt. Col. Lon Warren, 52nd Dental Squadron deputy squadron commander, and Elissa Black, American Red Cross volunteer and wife of Airman 1st Class Robert Black, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron electro-environmental journeyman, repair and replace a dental filling on a patient. The 52nd DS relies on the ARC volunteers to assist dentists, as well as allowing the squadron's enlisted members to get caught up on required training.

electro-environmental journeyman. "I have wanted to do something 'medical' since I was little, and after working in the dental clinic here, I hope to continue in that direction and eventually become a dental hygienist."

Red Cross volunteer assistants often go on to become certified dental assistants and pursue a career back in the U.S. The training can also help boost a resume' when seeking a paying job.

"This training is an invaluable service to the 52nd Dental Squadron and the community we serve," Major Holt said. "It's not a typical volunteer position. Students basically work full time for several months for free. It requires a highly motivated individual with a positive attitude."

People interested in training as a volunteer dental assistant should call Tech. Sgt. Thomas Lloyd at 452-8220.

## Saber Sweethearts

Valentine's Day messages  
to that special someone ...



♦ Dear Chuggy,  
Happy Valentine's Day.  
You're the best!  
Sa-Lum-Hum-Ni-Da, Bob

♦ Marianne,  
There is nothing more beautiful, in welcoming a delightful relationship, with unity and companionship other than a wonderful marriage. I Love You. Happy Valentines Day!  
Chuck Harper

♦ Happy Valentine's to my favorite girls, Amie and Leigha Daryanani.

♦ G-man,  
I'm so glad you're a part of my life. I fall in love with you more and more every day. Thanks for being my best friend and love of my life.  
Love always, Kiddo.com

♦ Todd,  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Thanks for all you do for our family! You are the best husband

and daddy and we all love you very much! Now that Valentine's Day is here only six days until Daytona!!

Love ya,  
Steph, Macey & Emmitt

♦ Happy Valentine's Day to my boys, Jeremy and Dodi ... mommy loves you two more than anything in the world and always will!  
Lots of love, Aimee

♦ Josh Obenchain,  
You are and always will be my everything. Happy Valentines Day "Monkey Face." You're the greatest and I LOVE YOU!!!  
Love, Pamela Resendez

♦ To the most beautiful boys I have ever seen. Mommy loves you. Happy Valentine's Day  
Jaden Russell

♦ There's nothing as nice as someone who shares, your laughter, your secrets, your wishes and cares, someone who's there through your good times and

tears, who stays by your side as your friend through the years. Thank you for being you!

With all the love in my heart,  
Ann

♦ My Darling Sherrie,  
Only our savior is above you in my mind. You are my world, without you, I'm lost. My love for you grows with each coming day. Thank you for guiding me, holding my hand, and keeping me on track.  
Love, John Boy

♦ Mom,  
Thank you for the gifts you give. For everything you do, but thank you mommy, most of all, for making my dreams come true! I love you Mom. Happy Valentine's Day.  
Sarafina Harper

♦ Susan,  
You're still the one. I love you, Craig

♦ "Password 140490"  
You are the love of my life! Thank you for all the wonderful years together!  
ILYFL!!!

♦ Stephanie,  
I love you more every day. I'm crazy for you. You make every day more sweet. Matt

♦ Candace, Evan and Ethan,  
Happy Valentine's Day to the sweetest family a guy could ask for!! Love, Jay

♦ Shona,  
"Drink to me only with thine eyes, and I will pledge with mine." Even after 16 years of marriage, two children and as many pets, I can still think of none that I would rather ask "Will you be my Valentine?"  
831, Michael Thomas

♦ Thank you for being such a wonderful husband and father. Happy Valentine's Day!  
We love you,  
MaryAnne and Kameron

♦ Schone,  
We appreciate what you do for us each and every day. Enjoy time devoted to those that we love. Happy Valentine's Day!  
Love, Pb&J

♦ Julia, Aubren, Liberty and Lovenia,  
To the most beautiful and wonderful girls I know. Thank you for being a part of my life. Every day I have with you is a blessing. I love you girls more than you could imagine. Happy Valentine's Day!  
Love, Daddy

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Col. Dave Goldfein

## February Sortie Scoreboard

Aircraft	Goal	Flown	Delta
22FS	353	78	-3
23FS	346	70	+4
81FS	291	23	+2

\*Delta is contract vs. sorties flown to date.

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## Take charge

# Officer's insight molds Saber Airmen through basic tenets of leadership

By Lt. Col. John Askew  
606th Air Control Squadron

My first opportunity for leadership came and went as a young lieutenant without much time for preparation, but my supervisor was able to pass on some wise words about leadership before the next opportunity arose.

He provided me a copy of a speech on leadership given in June 1986 by Gen. Michael Dugan entitled "The Stick -- You've Got It."

The title makes reference to exchanging control and responsibility of an aircraft with two aircrew aboard. Although its primary audience at the time was pilots, he offered tenets of leadership that are valid across the Air Force, whether you lead a four-ship formation, a maintenance crew, or a support flight.

The essence of his message is this: as a person in a leadership role, be it flight commander or supervisor, your top priority is to prepare your people for their combat mission. I offer some of his paraphrased thoughts since so far they have served me well.

As supervisors, you are now part of the chain of command for your unit. You have been entrusted with the safety and professional livelihood of those that work for you. You are now a builder, developer and teacher. If you're a flight commander, that duty comes with additional responsibilities, including

“ *Your troops should have no doubts about your loyalty to them, your unit, your leadership and the mission.* ”

counselor and mentor, but most of all, a commander. You are no longer just "one of the gang." You're part of the establishment. You've been offered much through the privilege to lead, and much is expected in return.

Be part of the solution, not part of the problem. You must guard against destructive criticism, and refrain from disparaging remarks about your unit, your leadership and your Air Force. Provide constructive inputs and encourage constructive dialogue geared toward improving the situation. This goes to the heart of loyalty -- loyalty to our bosses, to our people, and to our units. Support your commanders who are in turn supporting theirs.

The most basic support leaders provide is preparing their troops for the combat mission. You must ensure they have the necessary training to get it done, and assess their capability to execute the mission. Leaders are in the best position to know their troops' strengths, weaknesses, and judge their ability.

Strive to create professional, competent Airmen, ready for whatever threat is posed against national interests, and who have the judgment to effectively execute in combat and safely in peacetime.

But you can't teach judgment and sign it off on an evaluation form. It's acquired over time, and the clearest and simplest way to affect that learning curve is by teaching philosophies that are built on the solid foundations of your past experiences, and the experiences of others. Teach Airmen the important things such as living through the first combat mission, or how to effectively protect resources, and how to challenge themselves while understanding limitations and improving their skills.

Lastly, be the role model. Live and work every day to the best of your abilities. Your personal and professional discipline should be second to none.

Your troops should have no doubts about your loyalty to them, your unit, your leadership and the mission. You need to be more cognizant than before of all the external influences on your people and how they are affected. Be approachable and listen carefully to what they tell you, but above all, be yourself. There is no "cookie cutter" approach to leadership, but the concepts and tenets mentioned above can build a solid foundation on which you develop your own leadership style.

## Black history month

## Multi-cultural committee sponsors BHM events

The Spangdahlem Air Base Multi-Cultural Committee sponsors the following Black History Month events:

**Sunday** -- Bitburg Annex Commissary, soul food tasting, 11 a.m.

**Monday, Feb. 22, and Feb. 28** -- "Eyes on the Prize" documentary video, building 151, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Wednesday** -- Spangdahlem AB Commissary, soul food tasting, 11 a.m.

**Feb. 22** -- Black history scavenger hunt at the Spangdahlem AB fitness center, 2-3:30 p.m.

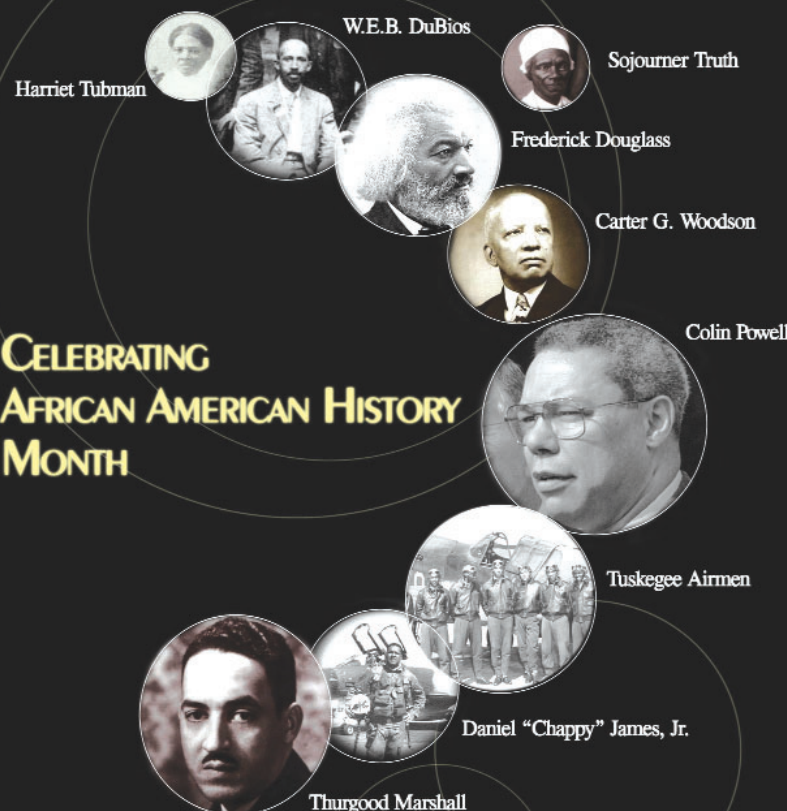
**Feb. 22** -- Knowledge bowl, 9:30 a.m. at the Spangdahlem AB theater.

**Feb. 23** -- Breakfast at the new Club Eifel, 8 a.m. (Guest speaker is Col. Richard Weathers, Sembach, Germany)

Trivia tidbit: On this day in 1976, Clifford Alexander Jr. became the first African-American Secretary of the Army. He held the position until the end of President Jimmy Carter's term.

"No one has been barred on account of his race from fighting or dying for America -- there are not "white" or "colored" signs on foxholes or graveyards of battle."

- John F. Kennedy



"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

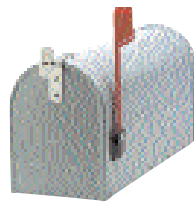
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## Community Mailbox

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### Germany orientation

The family support center offers its "Welcome to Germany orientation" Monday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the FSC, building 307. The orientation is for spouses new to Spangdahlem. Spouses can learn about base services, living overseas, plus German culture and customs. Lunch is provided. For details, call Amy Uptergrove at 452-6894.

### Blood drive

A blood drive takes place Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Spangdahlem AB in Peter's Restuarant, building 42. The majority of the blood donated will help support Operation Iraqi Freedom. To sign up or volunteer, visit <http://intranet/misc/signup/blooddrive/>. For more information, call Master Sgt. Margaret Santamaria or Senior Airman Lori Taylor at 452-4263.

### Commissary scholarships

The deadline for the Scholarships for Military Children program is Wednesday. People should download the application by visiting [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com), or they can download an application directly from <http://www.militaryscholar.org>. Copies of the application are also available at the Spangdahlem AB or Bitburg Annex commissaries. For details, call Colleen Williams at 452-9135.

### First aid class

The American Red Cross hosts a first aid and safety class Feb. 26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Bitburg Annex, building 2001, third floor. The goal of the class is to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary in an emergency. The course covers infant, child and adult CPR and standard first aid. The cost is \$25 per person. For details, call Terrie Perino at 452-9440 or 06565-61-9440 or e-mail her at 52FW.ARC@spangdahlem.af.mil.

### Spangdahlem Middle School

- ♦ The seventh and eighth grade semester awards program takes place Monday at 1:15 p.m. in the SMS multi-purpose room.
- ♦ The principal's chat takes place

Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the golf course club house. All SMS parents are encouraged to attend.

- ♦ Mark the calendar for Terra Nova testing March 14-18.
- ♦ The spring band concert kicks off March 23 at 7 p.m. in the SMS multi-purpose room.

For more information, call Jane Hewitt at 452-7205.

### Scavenger hunt

A Project CHEER scavenger hunt takes place Feb. 19 from 6-10 p.m. at the Brick House. Participants will have four hours to find items throughout the base. Bring a partner or find one at the Brick House. Prizes are awarded for first, second and third place. For details, call 452-7381 or stop by building 124.

### Eifel Community Center

The 52nd Services Eifel Community Center hosts the following events:

- ♦ Bi-Okoto African American Drum & Dance Theater takes place Feb. 27 at 5 p.m. in the Brick House. Expand the mind with this free performance in celebration of Black History month. Families are welcome.
- ♦ Be a part of the Dorm Dwellers' Challenge HALO 2 tournament kicks off March 6 at 6 p.m. in the Brick House. This free event could help an Airman's dorm earn points for the Dorm Dwellers' Challenge.
- ♦ The USAFE Idol Competition application deadline is March 9. The USAFE Idol show takes place March 26 at 7 p.m. in the Brick House. The competition is looking for Airmen with singing talent to be the next USAFE Idol. For more information, log on to the USAFE Services Website at [www.usafesvsmarketing.org](http://www.usafesvsmarketing.org) and click on the USAFE Idol icon.

For details, call the Eifel Community Center at 452-7381 or 06565-61-7381.

### Family Advocacy calendar

- ♦ Art of Relationship: A couple's communications workshop, Thursday Feb. 24 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. at the Bitburg Annex, building 67, third floor. For more information, call Michele Linnen at 452-8279.

- ♦ Anger Management; Four consecutive Tuesdays from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at the Bitburg Annex, building 161, third floor. For more information, call Richard Kuyper at 452-8279.

- ♦ Caring for Children through Divorce; Second Tuesday of each month from 1-2:30 p.m. at the Bitburg Annex, building 161, third floor. For more information, call Richard Kuyper at 452-8279.

- ♦ Breastfeeding pump education, Call Suzanne Berrong or Julia Crissinger at 452-8279 to schedule an appointment.

### Puppy kindergarten

Dog obedience and puppy kindergarten classes begin March 1 at the Pet Spa in Oberweiss. The six-week course is held each Tuesday and includes dog obedience at 6 p.m. and kindergarten at 7:30 p.m. for puppies under six months old. For details, call 452-9362.

### Dinner theater

ACT Eifel features its newest production entitled, "Eclipsed," which was inspired by the practice of making pregnant and unwed Irish mothers work as "penitents" in church-run laundries. The practice started during the last famine and lasted well into the 1960s. Tickets go on sale Monday for \$19.94 per person for the March 18, 20, 25 and 26 show dates. Cocktails begin at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. and showtime at 7:30 p.m. For more information on the play and the menu, call 452-7381 or stop by Spangdahlem AB, building 124.

### Girl Scouts

The Girls Scouts Overseas at Spangdahlem AB need volunteers to get involved, primarily people who excel at managerial, organizational and multi-tasking skills. For details, call Tim Hezel at 0170-662-7776 or e-mail him at [thezel@t-online.de](mailto:thezel@t-online.de).

### Dr. Seuss' birthday

Help celebrate Dr. Seuss' 101st birthday March 2 from 4-5 p.m. at the Spangdahlem AB and Bitburg Annex libraries. For more information, call Stephanie Evers at 452-6203.

## Chapel Services

### Spangdahlem AB Catholic Mass

- ♦ Saturday, 5 p.m.
- ♦ Sunday, 8:30 a.m.
- ♦ Sunday, religious education, 9:45 a.m. (building 139)
- ♦ Monday - Thursday, 11:45 a.m.

### Protestant

- ♦ Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., pre-school through sixth grade (building 139); 10:30 a.m., traditional service; 1 p.m., Korean; 5 p.m., Sunday Night Live service

### Bitburg Annex Catholic Mass

- ♦ Sunday, 11:30 a.m.
- ♦ Monday, 8:30 a.m.

### Protestant

- ♦ Sunday, 8:15 a.m., Liturgical; 9:30 a.m., Contemporary; 1 p.m., Gospel Service. For more information about Jewish, Islamic, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or other faith needs, call the chapel at 452-6711/6281.



## What's happening at Club Eifel this week?

Thursday, February 17, 5-8 p.m.

### FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Family Fun Night features two buffets, one for the kids and one for mom and dad! Games, a DJ spinning all the latest kid-friendly tunes, prizes and more round out this fun-for-all-ages event! Don't miss it!

Adult members, \$6.95 (nonmembers \$9.95)  
Children of members, ages 6-12, \$3.95  
Children of nonmembers, ages 6-12, \$5.95

## It's all about NEW! MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Join Club Eifel between February 1 and April 30 during Club Eifel's current membership drive and you could be jetting off to beautiful Hotel Cipriani in Venice, Italy. This trip of a lifetime will go to one lucky Club Eifel member. Other great prizes will also be awarded. Don't miss out! Join NOW!

Winner's name will be drawn from both existing and current membership numbers and will be verified before awarded.

## COUPLES' VALENTINE'S DAY CANDLELIGHT DINNER

Monday, February 14, 5-9 p.m., 452-4642

This couples-only, table-served dinner includes a bottle of red wine, romantic setting, music and fabulous multi-course prime rib meal, topped off with heart-shaped cheesecake.

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS TODAY!**  
\$30 members, \$40 nonmembers (per couple)  
\*Reservations not required, but recommended.



SMSgt Darryl and CMSgt Christine Davis, 52 SVS  
Photo by: David Niebergall, 52 SVS



## Der Markt

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Airman 1st Class Eydie Sakura

The women of Bitburg storm the Bitburg city hall and parade around the crowd, showing off neckties they have collected over the years. It is tradition to cut the ties off the men who defend the doors to the city hall. The women then steal the key to the city.



Airman 1st Class Eydie Sakura

Dr. Joachim Streit, mayor of Bitburg, gets his tie cut by a woman who stormed the city hall in Bitburg Feb. 3.



Airman 1st Class Eydie Sakura

A Wittlich woman in an "old lady" mask stands next to a cheering Airman after the women stormed the city hall Feb. 3. Fasching is celebrated mainly in the Catholic parts of Germany. Different areas give it different names such as Karneval, Fastnacht, or Fosnat.



## Fasching mania



Germany's silly season comes and goes in the Eifel; Sabers experience "Fat Thursday" first-hand



Iris Reiff

Dawn Goldfein (front left), wife of Col. Dave Goldfein, 52nd Fighter Wing commander, shares a laugh with Kornelia Pitsch, 52nd FW community relations assistant, at Ladies' Fasching, or Fat Thursday, in Wittlich Feb. 3. Women from local towns dress up in various costumes and parade throughout the cities, knocking on peoples' doors and playing jokes on them. The yearly event kicks off at 11:11 a.m. with the storming of city hall, followed by a party with food and drink. The Fasching events lasted all weekend with parties and parades, and ended Tuesday. Ladies' Fasching is a day devoted to women throughout Germany.

## Movies

The following movie listings are for today through Feb. 17. Times and movies are subject to change. For the most current information, call 06565-61-9441 or 452-9441. Movie synopses are available at [www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp](http://www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp).

### Spangdahlem Skyline

Today

*Phantom of the Opera* (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

A disfigured musical genius, hidden away in the Paris Opera House, terrorizes the opera company for the unwitting benefit of a young protegee whom he trains and loves.

*Blade: Trinity* (R, 10 p.m.)

The FBI is now on Blade's tail, accusing him of being a serial killer. Blade's ability to hunt vampires is limited severely, even as they have awakened Dracula, a pure vampire with amazing abilities. To take on the threat of this most powerful vampire, Blade accepts the help of a team of human vampire hunters called the Nightstalkers.

Saturday

*Ocean's Twelve* (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

Danny Ocean and his crew, having successfully stolen \$150 million from Las Vegas casinos in the first film, jet to Europe with three new heists planned, including swiping Rembrandt's "Nightwatch" from a gallery in Amsterdam.

*Phantom of the Opera* (10 p.m.)

Sunday

*Ocean's Twelve* (4 p.m.)

*Blade: Trinity* (7 p.m.)

Monday

*Ocean's Twelve* (7 p.m.)

Tuesday

*Phantom of the Opera* (7 p.m.)

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

### Bitburg Castle

Today

*Woman Thou Art Loosed* (R, 7 p.m.)

An adaptation of Bishop T.D. Jakes' self-help novel, chronicling a woman's struggle to come to terms with her legacy of abuse, addiction and poverty.

Saturday

*Meet the Fockers* (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

Having given permission to Greg Focker to marry his daughter, ex-CIA man Jack Byrnes and his wife travel to Miami to meet Greg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Focker. The Fockers and the Byrnes end up being as different from each other as can be.

Sunday

*Woman Thou Art Loosed* (7 p.m.)

Closed Monday and Tuesday

Wednesday

*Meet the Fockers* (7 p.m.)

Thursday

*Woman Thou Art Loosed* (7 p.m.)

## Out and About

(Editor's note: Event dates and times are subject to change. To confirm event details, call the telephone information office at 11833 and ask for a number to the tourist office in the town the event takes place.)

♦ Enjoy first-class jazz tunes by the Jean-Michel Pilc Trio **Saturday** at 8:30 p.m. in the Wittlich Hotel Lindenhof, Am Mundwald 5. For ticket information, or directions to Hotel Lindenhof, call Hildegard Adams at 06571-28522.

♦ Shop flea markets **Sunday** inside and outside the Bernkastel-Kues Gueter hall; the Kroeve wine hall; the Trier Messepark hall; Trier center Alleen center; and the Idar-Oberstein festival grounds.

♦ Get ready for the annual "Bitburg Bierfest," a festival, similar to Oktoberfest, in a large, heated festival tent. Entertainment by first-class bands, as well as dance music will be provided. The event takes place each Friday and Saturday, starting **Feb. 18** and running through **March 19**. For groups of 10 or more, people should reserve a table at 06561-91500. For more information about the festival, go to [www.bitburger-bierfest.de](http://www.bitburger-bierfest.de). To get to the festival tent, go to Bitburg Flugplatz and follow the signs. Rooms can be reserved for lower cost at [www.eifelstern.com](http://www.eifelstern.com), located near the festivities.

♦ Enjoy big band sounds and show performances by the professional Bundeswehr (military) Big Band **March 8** at the Trier Europe hall. The cost is 12 euro, and tickets can be ordered now at 0651-700164, or via e-mail at [benefizkonzert@palais-ev.de](mailto:benefizkonzert@palais-ev.de). The Bundeswehr Big Band is known as Europe's most popular orchestra show. All proceeds from the concert benefit children's aid campaigns.

♦ Reserve tickets now to a concert by the "The Temptations," **March 19** at 8 p.m. at the Trier Messepark fairgrounds. This is a highlight event in the Trier area. For more information or tickets, call 0651-4362258 or 0160-99742133.

♦ People interested in a walking and shopping tour of Wittlich **March 29** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. should call the base family support center at 452-6422 for more details.



# Super Bowl goes super blue

By Master Sgt. David Byron  
Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** -- An Air Force F/A-22 Raptor was the highlight during pre-game festivities at Super Bowl XXXIX where the New England Patriots and Philadelphia Eagles faced each other Feb. 6.

The other military services also took part, but Airmen played a leading role in one of the nation's premier sport competitions, held this year being Jacksonville, Fla.

Super Bowl Sunday began with a series of pre-game concerts and a pre-game opening ceremony.

The pre-game ceremony of every Super Bowl has included the singing of the national anthem; this year the Air Force Academy's 25-voice Cadet Chorale teamed up with the Naval Academy Glee Club, West Point Choir and Coast Guard Academy to perform the anthem. It was the first time all four

service academies performed together since former President Richard Nixon's 1973 inauguration ceremony. The last time the Cadet Chorale sang at a Super Bowl was in 1972.

A joint color guard, which included an Airman from Moody Air Force Base, Ga., presented the national colors.

At the conclusion of the anthem, two Raptors teamed up with two Navy F-18 Super Hornets in a joint-formation fly-over.

"What better way to showcase America's newest super jet than in front of a stadium crowd of 80,000 fans and more than 144 million television viewers," said Wendy Varhegyi, Air Force community relations chief.

Air Force involvement was not limited to pre-game ceremonies.

Recruiters were on-site to discuss career opportunities in the Air Force. They had the "Cross Into the Blue" theater trailer along with several NFL ath-

letes available for autograph sessions.

Although most of the Air Force involvement was only seen by those who attended the game, fans watching the game on television got a glimpse of professional Airmen.

Six Airmen and four Marines took part in the filming of an Anheuser-Busch "Salute to the Military" commercial that aired during the Super Bowl coverage.

Air Force volunteers also helped set up and tear down the sets for the half-time performance featuring singing legend Paul McCartney.

In all, the Airmen were among more than 2,000 military volunteers assisting with various aspects of the Super Bowl.

"Participating in the Super Bowl and the events leading up to it is an honor for the Air Force," Mrs. Varhegyi said. "It's a way to say 'thank you' to the troops, honor the military and instill patriotism among the fans."

## Super Bowl commercial spotlights Airman

By Jason M. Webb  
61st Communications Squadron

**LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE, Calif.** -- A month ago, 1st Lt. Jeff McGowan would have laughed at the very idea that his face would be used to market thanks and gratitude on national television in front of 44 million viewers, but it is amazing what a few weeks and an opportunity of a lifetime can make.

The engineer at the Space and Missile Systems Center here was featured in a commercial that aired during Super Bowl XXXIX Feb. 6.

The premise of the 30-second spot is not a typical plug for a product, but rather is a show of support for America's armed forces.

The commercial is about servicemembers returning from overseas who are welcomed home with an eruption of applause.

For the filming, Lieutenant McGowan, along with 10 other servicemembers from local Reserve bases, walked from one end of the airport terminal to the other, dressed in a desert battle dress uniform.

Their roles embody those Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. The other actors in the commercial, about 200 of them, played the role of ordinary citizens filling the terminal.

The servicemembers selected for the commercial are outstanding representatives of those serving in uniform, said Col. Beverly Lee, acting director of the Secretary of the Air Force Los Angeles Entertainment Liaison Office. This commercial captures the fact that a simple "thank you" is deeply appreciated by anyone serving this nation, she added.

The commercial's director, Joe Pytko, said he hoped that same feeling of appreciation would be felt when the commercial aired.

Mr. Pytko said he was honored to work with the troops, and that it reaffirmed his view of the professionalism of our military forces, Colonel Lee said.

While the cast and crew were impressed with the military



Jason M. Webb

**First Lt. Jeff McGowan has makeup applied before shooting his scene for a commercial that aired during the Super Bowl. Lieutenant McGowan is an engineer at the Space and Missile Systems Center at nearby Los Angeles Air Force Base, Calif.**

actors, Lieutenant McGowan said he learned a lot about the filming process.

"The most interesting process of filming the commercial to me was the attention to detail. Everything from the set, to the reaction of the actors to the sense of admiration was painstakingly sought after," he said. "It was really amazing how much time and money goes into something that won't last more than 30 seconds, yet will leave a life-long impression in many minds.

"I feel proud and honored to have been chosen to represent my brethren in uniform on national TV," he said. "I wish all servicemembers could be congratulated in person. Few things touch a military member more simply than a fellow American saying 'thank you.'"

(Courtesy Air Force Print News)

## Sports Briefs

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Senior Master Sgt. Kevin Eide and the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron's Over-30 basketball team. They won the 2005 Over-30 championship game -- winning in convincing fashion with a 69-55 victory over a determined 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron team.

### Heart month 5K

Get pumped up at the American Heart Month 5K Fun Run Monday at 3 p.m. Bring a valentine or the children and make it a family affair. Participants may run or walk the course, and strollers and pets are welcome. For details, call the fitness center at 452-6496.

### Bowl-a-thon

Participate in the 52nd Fighter Wing Bowl-a-thon Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the base bowling center. Proceeds benefit the Dec. 26 tsunami victims. For more information, call Capt. Tim Wright or Master Sgt. Chris Wells at 452-7656.

### Dodge ball challenge

Create a team and be a part of the dodge ball challenge Thursday at 3 p.m. in the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center. Teams can be a male and female mix of eight people. For more information, call Airman 1st Class Erica Gonzalez-Arispe at 452-6634 or 452-6251.

### Climbing wall

The rock climbing wall at the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center is closed and will be moved to the Ropes Course at Oberweiss. For details, call the fitness center at 452-6496.

### Fit To Be Yourself

The health and wellness center offers a three-part "Fit To Be Yourself" class Feb. 23, March 2 and March 9 at Spangdahlem AB, building 130, HAWC conference room. The class is designed for parents and children to instill the values of a healthier lifestyle at a younger age. The class will feature cooking demonstrations, healthy snack alternatives and fitness demonstrations geared toward school-age children. For more information, call Mandy Baerman at 452-6995.

### Intramural basketball

Come out and watch the men's and women's last varsity basketball game Feb. 26 at the fitness center. The men's game kicks off at 1 p.m., and the women's game begins at 3 p.m. For details, call the fitness center at 452-6496.

### National nutrition month

Run or walk to a healthier, happier lifestyle at the national nutrition month 5K fun runs March 1 and 31. The 5K starts at noon each day and begins at the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center. Participants may run or walk the course, and strollers and pets are welcome. For details, call the fitness center at 452-6496.

### Tobacco cessation

The health and wellness center offers a tobacco cessation class March 2 at noon and 5 p.m. The noon class takes place in the HAWC conference room, and the 5 p.m. class is in the Bitburg Hospital conference room. The class helps participants kick the habit while focusing on improving their quality of life. For details, call Tech. Sgt. Edith Fields at 452-7385.

### Women's soccer

Women interested in joining the Spangdahlem AB women's soccer team should call Staff Sgt. Annjeanette Haro at 452-7182.

## Youth Soccer

The youth indoor soccer registration deadline is **Monday**, and the cost per child is \$25. Practice begins Feb. 28, and the season runs until April 9. For convenience, a choice of two mandatory parent meetings take place Feb. 22 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Bitburg Annex theater, or Feb. 23 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB theater. For details, call the youth center at 452-7545.



## Trier basketball game trip

See a professional German basketball game Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m.. The cost is \$16 per person and the deadline to sign up is Feb. 23. For details, call the community center at 452-7381.